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SUBJECT: INDUSTRY COMMITTEE WORKING PARTY ON TEXTILES
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REF: A) IND/M(74)2; B) DIE/IND/74.41

1. IN RESPONSE INDUSTRY COMMITTEE DECISION (REF. A), SECRETARIAT WILL PROPOSE TERMS OF REFERENCE FOR WORKING PARTY ON TEXTILES AND CLOTHING FOR CONSIDERATION AT COMMITTEE'S NOVEMBER MEETING. TO ASSIST THEM IN DRAFTING, SECRETARIAT HAS INVITED USG COMMENT ON THE FOLLOWING: A) US CONCERNS REGARDING TEXTILES AND CLOTHING AND E) WHAT TYPE OF WORK THE OECD SHOULD UNDERTAKE IN THAT REGARD. SECRETARIAT SUGGESTS AS FRAME OF REFERENCE REF A PARA 22 (II) (RE CASE STUDIES) AND PARAS 5 AND 6 OF SAME DOCUMENT CONCERNING "INDUSTRIAL ADJUSTMENT POLICIES IN THE PRESENT ECONOMIC CONTEXT". CONSIDERATIONS WOULD INCLUDE RAW MATERIAL SHORTAGES, ENERGY PRICES, ECONOMIC SLOWDOWN, INFLATION AND TRADE.

2. SECRETARIAT HAS SUGGESTED THAT TEXTILES AND CLOTHING
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SECTOR MIGHT ALSO BE CONSIDERED AS ONE OF INDUSTRIAL

SECTORS TO BE EXAMINED IN RELATION TO "IMPLICATIONS OF ENERGY AND RAW MATERIAL PRICE CHANGES, SUPPLY SHORTAGES AND SUBSTITUTION", ON WHICH INDUSTRY COMMITTEE ALSO AGREED (PARA 10, REF A). SECRETARIAT THINKS TERMS OF REFERENCE OF WP ON TEXTILES AND CLOTHING COULD BE SUCH THAT IT WOULD UNDERTAKE THIS EXAMINATION FOR ITS SECTCR.

3. SECRETARIAT REQUESTS RESPONSES ASAP (REQUESTED DATES HAVING PASSED) ON (A) TEXTILES WP TERMS OF REFERENCE AND (B) TO DIE/IND/74.41 CONCERNING IMPLICATIONS OF AVAILABILITY AND PRICES OF ENERGY AND RAW MATERIALS.
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